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SUBJECT: LEVEL OF OPERATION AT ALIAGA REFINERY
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1. IN TELEVISED SPEECH ON SEPT. 30, PRIME MINISTER SULEYMAN DEMIREL ASSERTED ALIAGA REFINERY WOULD BE OUT OF OPERATION FOR AT LEAST TWO MONTHS. A SEPARATE STATEMENT BY OMER LUTFI HOCALIOGLU, CHAIRMAN OF TURKISH PETROLEUM BOARD (TPAO), SAID PLANT WOULD BE FULLY OPERATIONAL IN A FEW DAYS BY CALLING IN ALL WORKERS ON VACATION AND SICK LEAVE AND HIRING REPLACEMENTS FOR FIRED WORKERS (SEE REFTEL).

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2. HOCALIOGLU, WHO NOW AT ALIAGA, CLAIMED REFINERY OPERATION NEVER TOTALLY STOPPED PRODUCTION OF GASOLINE, MOTOR OIL, FUEL OIL OR NAPHTHA, HE ADMITTED PRODUCTION WAS EXTREMELY LOW BUT WOULD SOON RETURN TO PRE-PROTEST LEVELS.
3. PRIVATE SOURCES REPORT THAT EVEN OFFICE STAFF BEING PRESSED INTO DUTY FOR REFINERY LABOR AND WORKERS EXPECT CONTINUOUS OPERATION THROUGH THE WEEKENDS UNTIL REPLACEMENTS CAN BE FOUND. A FEW WORKERS FROM BATMAN REFINERY REPORTEDLY DID COME TO IZMIR BUT MORE PERMANENT REPLACEMENTS NEEDED. ESTIMATES ON
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DEMIREL'S PROBABLY EXAGGERATED CLAIM OF 2 MONTHS, MADE PERHAPS
FURTHER TO EXPLOIT WIDESPREAD PUBLIC RESENTMENT TOWARD DISK
(AND RPP) HAVING CAUSED CITIZENRY CONSIDERABLE INCONVENIENCE.
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